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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 3934

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UN, XF, RO

SUBJECT: SUBDUE ROMANIAN REACTION TO ME DEVELOPMENTS

1. AS OF MORNING OCTOBER 27, ROMANIAN PRESS AND TV MANAGED TO ESCHEW COMMENT ON POSSIBLE GREAT-POWER MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN ME, FAILED TO MENTION BREZHNEV STATEMENT, PRESS CONFERENCES OF PRESIDENT, KISSINGER AND SCHLESINGER, AND INSTEAD GAVE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FACTUAL COVERAGE TO DISPATCH OF UNEF CONTINGENT, ARAB ISRAELI RECRIMINATIONS OVER CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS, AND LATEST UNSC RESOLUTIONS. DESPITE EMERGING GOR ACTIVISM ON ME, MEDIA LACUNAE SHOW GREAT GOR HESITANCY TO VENTURE COMMENT IN FAST-BREAKING AMBIGUOUS SITUATION INVOLVING GREAT POWER STRAINS OF WHICH GOR WANTS NO PART.

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2. AT DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION EVENING OCTOBER 26, CZECH POLITICAL

COUNSELLOR ADMITTED "DANGER" IN PRESENCE OF US OR SOVIET  
MILITARY FORCES IN ME AND CANDIDLY EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER  
EFFECT OF SOVIET ACTIONS ON OVERALL EAST-WEST DETENTE.

3. PRIVATE ROMANIAN REACTION TO FIRST VOA AND RFE REPORTS  
ON DEPARTURE OF SOVIET "REPRESENTATIVES" TO EGYPT MAY BE TYPIFIED  
BY FOREIGN TRADE REP'S COMMENT THAT "SOVIETS WERE 'INVITED' --  
THEY'VE BEEN 'INVITED' BEFORE, E.G. CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN 1968\*" --  
SOME WELL-PLACED ROMANIAN SOURCES HAVE PRIVATELY BLAMED SOVIETS  
FOR BEING BEHIND ARAB LAUNCHING OF LATEST WAR IN FIRST PLACE, A  
POSITION MAINLY INDICATIVE OF CHRONIC ROMANIAN ANTIPATHY  
TOWARD SOVIETS.  
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